How Much Would New Yorkers Pay for Drugs Under Schumer's Plan to Make Lower-Priced Generic Versions Available?

Schumer's plan to eliminate loopholes in patent laws that make it easier for generic alternatives to be sold will have a substantial impact on New Yorkers' medicine costs. Studies show that once a generic version of a brand name drug is fully integrated into the prescription drug market, the cost of the medication drops an average of 61%.

According to a survey conducted by Schumer's office, the savings to New Yorkers would be dramatic. The survey contacted over 120 pharmacies in cities and towns across New York State asking them the price of a 30-day prescription of regular dosages of five popular brand name drugs – Allegra, a common allergy medicine (180 mg); Norvasc, used in treatment of hypertension (5 mg); Prevacid, an anti-acid reflux drug (30 mg); Lipitor, used to combat high cholesterol (10 mg); and Celebrex, a medicine that provides millions with relief from arthritis pain (200 mg). Were a generic version of these drugs available, New Yorkers would save each month an average of \$48.54 on Allegra, \$30.14 on Norvasc, \$90.10 on Prevacid, \$46.17 on Lipitor, and \$55.99 on Celebrex. For a city-by-city comparison of the costs of brand name drugs versus potential generic equivalents, please see the following report.

ALBANY

DKUG	Allegra	Norvasc	Prevacid	Lipitor	Celebrex
BRAND	\$81.75	\$51.50	\$150.68	\$79.08	\$94.24
GENERIC	\$31.88	\$20.09	\$58.76	\$30.84	\$36.75
		AM	STERDAM		
DRUG	Allegra	Norvasc	Prevacid	Lipitor	Celebrex
BRAND	\$78.13	\$49.30	\$148.59	\$76.39	\$91.95
GENERIC	\$30.47	\$19.23	\$57.95	\$29.79	\$35.86

AUBURN

DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$79.54 \$31.02	Norvasc \$46.37 \$18.09	Prevacid \$147.03 \$57.34	Lipitor \$74.76 \$29.16	Celebrex \$91.02 \$35.50				
		В	ATAVIA						
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$85.78 \$33.45	Norvasc \$54.71 \$21.33	Prevacid \$156.66 \$61.10	Lipitor \$79.36 \$30.95	Celebrex \$96.66 \$37.70				
		BING	GHAMTON						
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$79.31 \$30.93	Norvasc \$51.02 \$19.90	Prevacid \$140.70 \$54.87	Lipitor \$70.42 \$27.46	Celebrex \$89.96 \$35.08				
BUFFALO									
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$84.56 \$32.98	Norvasc \$51.51 \$20.09	Prevacid \$158.46 \$61.80	Lipitor \$79.06 \$30.83	Celebrex \$96.06 \$37.46				
	CANANDAIGUA								
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$81.33 \$31.72	Norvasc \$50.27 \$19.60	Prevacid \$149.29 \$58.22	Lipitor \$77.30 \$30.15	Celebrex \$94.13 \$36.71				
		C	ORNING						
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$80.29 \$31.31	Norvasc \$48.69 \$18.99	Prevacid \$151.34 \$59.02	Lipitor \$75.54 \$29.46	Celebrex \$93.34 \$36.40				
		CC	ORTLAND						
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$82.81 \$32.30	Norvasc \$51.01 \$19.89	Prevacid \$153.61 \$59.91	Lipitor \$76.91 \$29.99	Celebrex \$95.24 \$37.14				

DUNKIRK

DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$82.96 \$32.35	Norvasc \$50.96 \$19.87	Prevacid \$152.76 \$59.58	Lipitor \$76.79 \$29.95	Celebrex \$94.29 \$36.77		
		E	LMIRA				
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$80.81 \$31.52	Norvasc \$49.84 \$19.44	Prevacid \$147.80 \$57.64	Lipitor \$78.18 \$30.49	Celebrex \$91.64 \$35.74		
		GLE	NS FALLS				
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$75.02 \$29.26	Norvasc \$47.32 \$18.46	Prevacid \$151.85 \$59.22	Lipitor \$73.74 \$28.76	Celebrex \$92.43 \$36.05		
GLOVERSVILLE							
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$85.83 \$33.47	Norvasc \$53.87 \$21.01	Prevacid \$154.38 \$60.21	Lipitor \$79.13 \$30.86	Celebrex \$94.46 \$36.84		
		HE	RKIMER				
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$76.09 \$29.68	Norvasc \$49.54 \$19.32	Prevacid \$151.94 \$59.26	Lipitor \$76.84 \$29.97	Celebrex \$90.54 \$35.31		
		НС	DRNELL				
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$79.59 \$31.04	Norvasc \$47.94 \$18.70	Prevacid \$149.04 \$58.13	Lipitor \$74.44 \$29.03	Celebrex \$91.94 \$35.86		
ITHACA							
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$85.88 \$33.49	Norvasc \$52.38 \$20.43	Prevacid \$167.97 \$65.51	Lipitor \$81.48 \$31.78	Celebrex \$99.43 \$38.78		

JAMESTOWN

DRUG BRAND	Allegra \$74.75	Norvasc \$48.53	Prevacid \$141.38	Lipitor \$73.25	Celebrex \$86.72		
GENERIC	\$29.15	\$18.93	\$55.14	\$28.57	\$33.82		
		KIN	NGSTON				
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$91.53 \$35.70	Norvasc \$48.98 \$19.10	Prevacid \$147.57 \$57.55	Lipitor \$75.69 \$29.52	Celebrex \$91.11 \$35.53		
		LITT	LE FALLS				
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$80.94 \$31.57	Norvasc \$49.42 \$19.27	Prevacid \$144.00 \$56.16	Lipitor \$74.32 \$28.98	Celebrex \$90.92 \$35.46		
MALONE							
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$78.92 \$30.78	Norvasc \$48.02 \$18.73	Prevacid \$148.27 \$57.83	Lipitor \$74.37 \$29.00	Celebrex \$92.87 \$36.22		
		MIDD	LETOWN				
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$80.77 \$31.50	Norvasc \$50.73 \$19.78	Prevacid \$150.39 \$58.65	Lipitor \$78.60 \$30.66	Celebrex \$92.90 \$36.23		
		NIAGA	RA FALLS				
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$78.60 \$30.65	Norvasc \$48.30 \$18.84	Prevacid \$143.02 \$55.78	Lipitor \$75.27 \$29.36	Celebrex \$92.52 \$36.08		
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DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$49.76 \$19.40	Norvasc \$29.32 \$11.44	Prevacid \$87.09 \$33.97	Lipitor \$46.57 \$18.16	Celebrex \$55.70 \$21.72		

ONEIDA

DRUG	Allegra	Norvasc	Prevacid	Lipitor	Celebrex
BRAND GENERIC	\$76.99 \$30.03	\$47.24 \$18.42	\$149.69 \$58.38	\$74.19 \$28.94	\$90.44 \$35.27
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DRUG	Allegra	Norvasc	Prevacid	Lipitor	Celebrex
BRAND	\$79.26	\$48.69	\$149.51	\$75.42	\$93.75
GENERIC	\$30.91	\$18.99	\$58.31	\$29.41	\$36.56
		OS	WEGO		
DRUG	Allegra	Norvasc	Prevacid	Lipitor	Celebrex
BRAND	\$80.04	\$50.01	\$154.45	\$77.29	\$96.25
GENERIC	\$31.22	\$19.50	\$60.24	\$30.14	\$37.54
		PLAT	ISBURGH		
DRUG	Allegra	Norvasc	Prevacid	Lipitor	Celebrex
BRAND	\$78.68	\$47.21	\$146.78	\$73.80	\$91.60
GENERIC	\$30.69	\$18.41	\$57.24	\$28.78	\$35.72
		POUGI	HKEEPSIE		
DRUG	Allegra	Norvasc	Prevacid	Lipitor	Celebrex
BRAND	\$86.11	\$55.97	\$153.53	\$78.87	\$94.45
GENERIC	\$33.58	\$21.83	\$59.88	\$30.76	\$36.83
		ROC	HESTER		
DRUG	Allegra	Norvasc	Prevacid	Lipitor	Celebrex
BRAND	\$81.35	\$53.99	\$143.78	\$77.73	\$108.29
GENERIC	\$31.73	\$21.06	\$56.07	\$30.32	\$42.23
		R	OME		
DRUG	Allegra	Norvasc	Prevacid	Lipitor	Celebrex
BRAND	\$77.88	\$49.83	\$150.50	\$76.03	\$93.01
GENERIC	\$30.37	\$19.43	\$58.70	\$29.65	\$36.27

SARATOGA SPRINGS

DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$81.43 \$31.76	Norvasc \$51.54 \$20.10	Prevacid \$145.05 \$56.57	Lipitor \$75.80 \$29.56	Celebrex \$94.80 \$36.97	
		SCHEN	ECTADY			
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$79.82 \$31.13	Norvasc \$50.05 \$19.52	Prevacid \$143.75 \$56.06	Lipitor \$78.14 \$30.47	Celebrex \$91.32 \$35.62	
		SYR	ACUSE			
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$83.27 \$32.48	Norvasc \$54.37 \$21.20	Prevacid \$161.19 \$62.86	Lipitor \$82.26 \$32.08	Celebrex \$97.82 \$38.15	
		T	ROY			
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$78.82 \$30.74	Norvasc \$47.16 \$18.39	Prevacid \$142.66 \$55.64	Lipitor \$74.83 \$29.18	Celebrex \$90.20 \$35.18	
		U	ГІСА			
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$78.23 \$30.51	Norvasc \$49.16 \$19.17	Prevacid \$149.29 \$58.22	Lipitor \$77.16 \$30.09	Celebrex \$89.32 \$34.84	
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$75.96 \$29.62	Norvasc \$47.91 \$18.69	Prevacid \$144.60 \$56.39	Lipitor \$74.48 \$29.05	Celebrex \$88.99 \$34.71	
WELLSVILLE						
DRUG BRAND GENERIC	Allegra \$76.42 \$29.80	Norvasc \$49.89 \$19.46	Prevacid \$148.84 \$58.05	Lipitor \$75.26 \$29.35	Celebrex \$88.73 \$34.60	

WESTCHESTER COUNTY

DRUG	Allegra	Norvasc	Prevacid	Lipitor	Celebrex
BRAND	\$82.84	\$51.87	\$147.86	\$80.20	\$84.81
GENERIC	\$32.31	\$20.23	\$57.67	\$31.28	\$33.07